

WYCOMBE Wanderers face a testing week of Rothmans Isthmian League Division One soccer when they visit the current leaders Hendon at Claremount Road tonight (Tuesday) and then take on the second place club Dulwich Hamlet at Loakes Park on Saturday.

Wanderers are five matches adrift of Hendon, and have four in hand over Dulwich. A maximum of six points from the games would put them right back in contention but they will do well to come away with a point tonight.

Hendon, runaway winners last year, have virtually the same side as last season with the addition of two class players — Keiron Somers and Roger Connell.

These two left Walton and Hersham three weeks ago and already Somers has knocked in five goals. Suprisingly, Connell has been unable to gain a regular place in the side and was substitute during Saturday's 2-0 win at Bromley.

Wanderers have already had a sample of their ability when they crashed 4-1 at Walton, Somers (2) and Connell both finding the target. Couple these two with players like Johnny Baker, Phil Fry, Bobby Childs and Rod Haider and it is easy to see why Hendon occupy the top spot.

Haider, one of three current England internationals in the side, is the top goalscorer with six while Derek Baker has four. The biggest win of the season was against lowly Clapton, who were duly hammered 7-0.

Hendon's defensive record this term is quite remarkable. They have been no less than six games without conceding a goal and only three have been scored against them in the last 14 matches. Their one defeat, ironically, was at Walton, where they lost 1-0 with Somers and Connell playing against them.

Wanderers have doubts over Dave Bullock, Ian Rundle and Roger Grant, all suffering from injuries. Bullock, doubtful for Saturday's Cup tie, received a knock on the knee to add to his ankle troubles.

Grant should be fit, but Rundle, who had treatment for a nasty back injury last week, is unlikely to be included.

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ROTHMANS ISTHMIAN LEAGUE DIVISION I

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pen	C	D
								Pts		
Hendon	18	12	5	1	31	5	41	0	0	
Dulwich	17	11	4	2	32	12	37	8	0	
B Stfd	19	10	4	5	35	15	34	2	0	
Wycmbe	13	9	2	2	28	16	29	0	0	
Hayes	15	8	3	4	23	13	27	2	0	
Enfield	16	8	2	6	21	12	26	2	0	
Tooting	18	8	2	8	23	24	26	1	0	
Oxford	17	6	7	4	21	23	25	3	0	
B'king	17	7	3	7	22	26	24	2	0	
L'stne	16	6	5	5	17	15	23	0	0	
W'tham	16	6	5	5	21	19	23	4	4	
Lthead	13	7	1	5	23	14	22	1	0	
Walton	13	6	4	3	20	14	22	3	0	
Hitchin	14	5	4	5	23	26	19	0	0	
Kingstn	14	4	6	4	16	13	18	1	0	
Sutton	14	5	3	6	16	20	18	0	0	
Bromley	18	4	3	11	20	23	15	3	0	
Woking	10	4	1	5	15	16	13	3	0	
Ilford	15	3	4	8	10	22	13	4	0	
S Albans	16	2	3	11	14	35	9	2	0	
Clapton	16	2	0	14	8	56	6	5	0	
Casuals	15	1	1	13	9	29	4	0	0	

DIVISION II

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pen	C	D
								Pts		
Tilbury	11	8	2	1	23	8	26	1	0	
Slough	11	7	1	3	18	11	22	1	0	
Dagenham	9	6	3	0	21	5	21	0	0	
Aveley	9	4	2	3	15	10	14	1	0	
Chesham	8	4	2	2	17	12	14	4	0	
Mdnhead	8	3	4	1	13	7	13	1	0	
Harwich	9	3	3	3	14	9	12	0	0	
Horsham	8	2	5	1	12	9	11	2	0	
Hampton	9	2	4	3	16	14	10	1	0	
Staines	7	2	4	1	11	10	10	2	0	
Hertford	8	3	1	4	9	9	10	0	8	
Harlow	11	2	4	5	8	12	10	1	0	
C'shalton	11	2	3	6	9	24	9	4	0	
W'kngham	9	2	1	6	8	24	7	4	0	
Finchley	9	1	2	6	5	19	5	0	0	
Southall	9	0	3	6	5	21	3	3	0	